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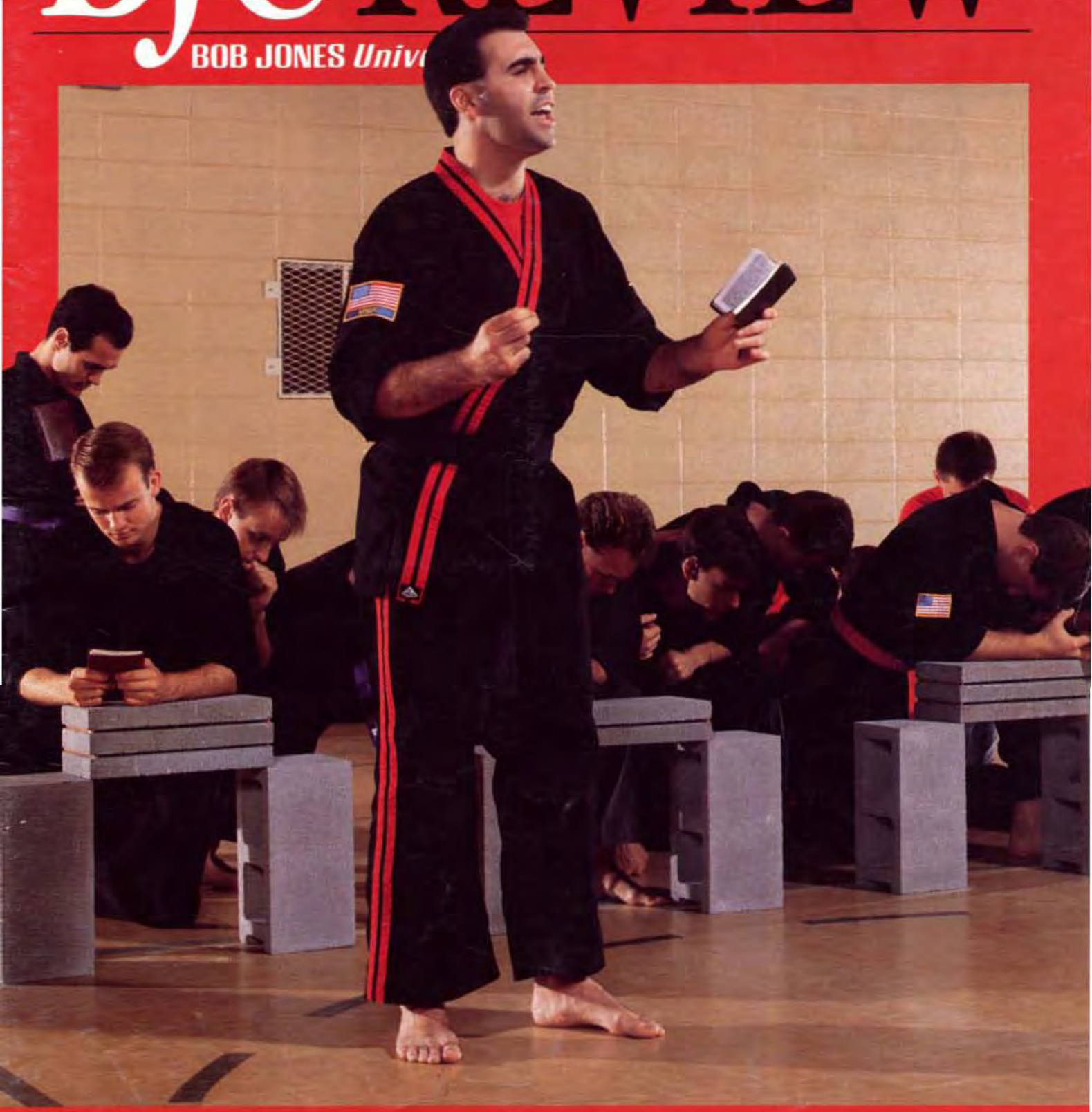

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Campus News

Day of Prayer held on campus

A special campus-wide day of prayer was held during November. Classes were canceled for the day, and students prayed throughout the day in groups by majors, home states, and regions of the world they had burdens for. Special chapel services and a singspiration were held between the prayer meetings. The day culminated with students, faculty, and staff sharing answered prayer in a special praise service.

Faculty/staff honored

Twenty-four faculty and staff members were awarded this December for ten years of service at the University. The honorees were:

Sandy Baker
Bill Bennett Jr.
Roger Bruckner
Larry Bushong
Mary Lynn Bushong
Barb Corey
Roger Dickinson
Rudy Estelle
Carolyn Forbes
Blenn Fore
Betty Forsyth
Peggy Hargis
Betty Jones
Joanie Langham
Katie Leedy
Brad Payne
Ellen Pennicaro
Kathy Pilger
Dave Ratje
Theresa Ratje
Jackie Rogers
Donna Wheeler
Dave Wilson
Dan Wooster III

About the Cover:

The members of the Champions for Christ karate team pray during an invitation as senior Jim Pitts finishes his message. Champions for Christ is one of many different extension groups that go out from the University each week, bringing the Gospel to needy people throughout the Southeast.

These extension ministries give all students the chance to sharpen their soulwinning skills, be an encouragement to others, and use their skills to glorify God. Other opportunities include singing groups, nursing home ministries, street preaching, rescue mission work, basketball ministries, and boys clubs.

Come visit us for Peace-Full Vacation

Take a break from the typical "unrelaxing" vacation and join us this summer for our Peace-Full Vacation, to be held on the campus July 4–11. Write for a brochure with complete details, or use the response card in the center of the *Review*.

Dr. Bob Jr. celebrates 80th birthday

Dr. Bob Jones's 80th birthday was commemorated by a surprise chapel service in October. Dr. Monroe Parker of Baptist Worldwide Missions, Dr. Talmadge Spence of Foundations Bible College, and Dr. Victor Sadaka of Mid-East Baptist Missions each gave tribute to Dr. Bob's ministry as friend, educator, and preacher. Unusual Films presented a film highlighting his contribution to the University and his heart for missions.

Academy debate team wins 5 of 8 tournaments

The Academy forensic team finished the first half of its season with an excellent record, capturing enough first place titles to bring home the sweepstakes trophies in five of the eight tournaments in which the students have competed.

Correction

In the Winter issue of the *Review*, the pictures of Beth Lyda and Heather Eaves were inadvertently switched in the final stages of production.

Special Olympics held on BJU campus

Over 200 Special Olympians competed in "Introduction to the World of Sports," the Special Olympics held on the campus. Over 350 BJU students worked with the young people as they competed in a variety of events, which included skills from basketball, soccer, volleyball and tennis.

Music professor's work honored, published

Jay-Martin Pinner, head of the BJU String Department, was selected unanimously as the winner of the 1990 National School Orchestra Association Composition Contest. His piece, *Downtown Suite for Strings*, depicts three downtown scenes—the library, the park and crossing a busy street. It is being published by Alfred Publishing Co., one of the largest music publishers in the United States. Mr. Pinner wrote his *Downtown Suite* for the BJ Elementary School string orchestra.

Press Director promoted by Air Force

The United States Air Force promoted George Collins to the grade of Lieutenant Colonel in the USAF Reserve. Mr. Collins, director of production for the University Press, has been part of the reserve program since he left active duty in 1974.

Join us for a European Reformation History tour

BJU faculty member Dr. Edward Panosian will be conducting a 17-day reformation history tour from June 15 through July 1, 1992. The tour will include on-site lectures in well-known places associated with the fathers of Protestant faith. Tourists will visit cities in Italy, Switzerland, and Germany. Students may receive credit for the trip. For more information, write Unusual Tours, Box 34555, Greenville, SC, 29614; or use the response card in the center of this issue.

University debate team takes first in national tournament

The BJU debate team of Andrew Repp and Dan Griffith finished first without a loss in the novice division of the Harlan Debate Tournament at Transylvania College, Lexington, KY. Andrew also received the first place speaker award. Paul Calnon and John Schaub finished in second place in the 11-school tournament.

Andrew and Dan advanced to the final round in novice debate at the Inter-Collegiate Debate Tournament, University of Miami, Oxford, OH. Twenty-eight colleges were represented at this tournament.

Graduate honored by MENC

Donna Dinsmore, a 1979 graduate, has been recognized by the Music Educators National Conference as a nationally registered music educator. The award identifies outstanding teaching ability in the field of music, and is given upon recommendation from administration and fellow faculty and completion of a graduate degree. Since graduating from BJU with a degree in music education, Donna has earned a Masters in Music Education from the University of Illinois and is presently teaching music at Dorman High School in Spartanburg, SC.

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The Pieces of the Puzzle

Ever look at your life and wonder how all the pieces fit together? At one time, Dewey McCabe, a 1978 graduate of BJU, had the same feeling. But with hindsight, he can now see the Lord was carefully directing each step.

Dewey comes from a family who believes in BJU. Dewey's parents let him know they wanted him to follow in the steps of several family members who had attended the University.

"But at the beginning of my senior year in high school, I was not completely convinced that BJU was the place for me," Dewey says. "My spiritual condition made me feel uneasy about attending a university which operated on Biblical convictions. But the Holy Spirit began to work in my life and convinced me to follow the counsel of my parents."

Dewey joined his sister, Susan, and four cousins at BJU in 1973, majoring in history education due to his interest in history and politics.

During his junior year, he met Karen Meyer, whom he married in 1977.

Several months after graduation, Dewey and Karen moved to Thomasville, GA, to accept a position with the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad. While working there, Dewey became involved in area politics, running for state representative. Although he lost the election, he did gain what proved to be valuable experience in dealing with the public and media.

The young couple joined East Side Baptist Church in Thomasville, and it was there that Dewey heard a sermon that led him to a crucial decision—to follow the Lord's leadership regardless of the cost.

That commitment was soon tested. "In November of 1982, I was informed that the railroad was laying off hundreds of employees and that I was part of that group. I applied for and was accepted for a position with a Fortune 500 company. The people at the company were great, the salary and benefits were good and we were excited about the opportunity."

The pieces had come together, right? Wrong. About that same time, Dewey received a very unexpected phone call.

It was the principal of the Christian school in Thomasville. The school needed a high school history and geography teacher. After praying about the new development, Dewey accepted the position, even though it meant a severe cut in pay.

"At the end of my first year of teaching, I realized that the Lord wanted me to return for another year, but it was very clear that this would be my last year at the school. I was not sure what opportunities the Lord would provide, but I knew His purpose would unfold over the school year," Dewey says.

As the end of his second year neared, another BJU graduate in Thomasville approached Dewey about the possibility of a position with Oil-Dri Corporation based there in south Georgia. After a series of interviews with Oil-Dri, Dewey was offered and accepted the position of personnel manager—a challenging job with good opportunity for advancement.

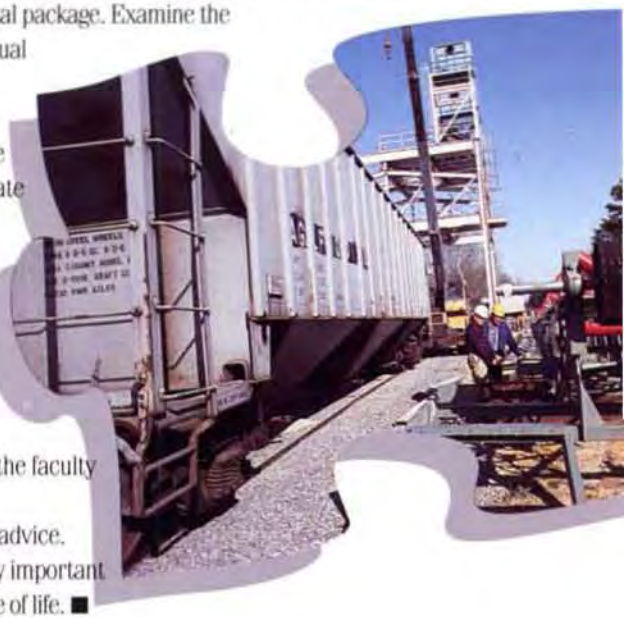
"Several weeks after I accepted the position, I received a copy of the qualification checklist that the company had compiled when they began interviewing candidates for the position. They were looking for someone with teaching experience who had majored in psychology or social studies, who had experience in dealing with large groups, and who had successfully dealt with the media." The pieces of the puzzle.

Dewey is now a plant manager for Oil-Dri Corporation at the Ochlocknee, GA, location. It's a job he finds rewarding and challenging—his God-given niche in life. He and Karen are actively involved at East Side with the college and career class. Their two children, Angela and Dewey IV, are both involved in their school and church.

"Both of our children are being prepared to enter BJU after their graduation from high school. We hope to provide Zeta Chi [his society while at BJU] a soccer player and a cheerleader in a few years," Dewey says with a grin.

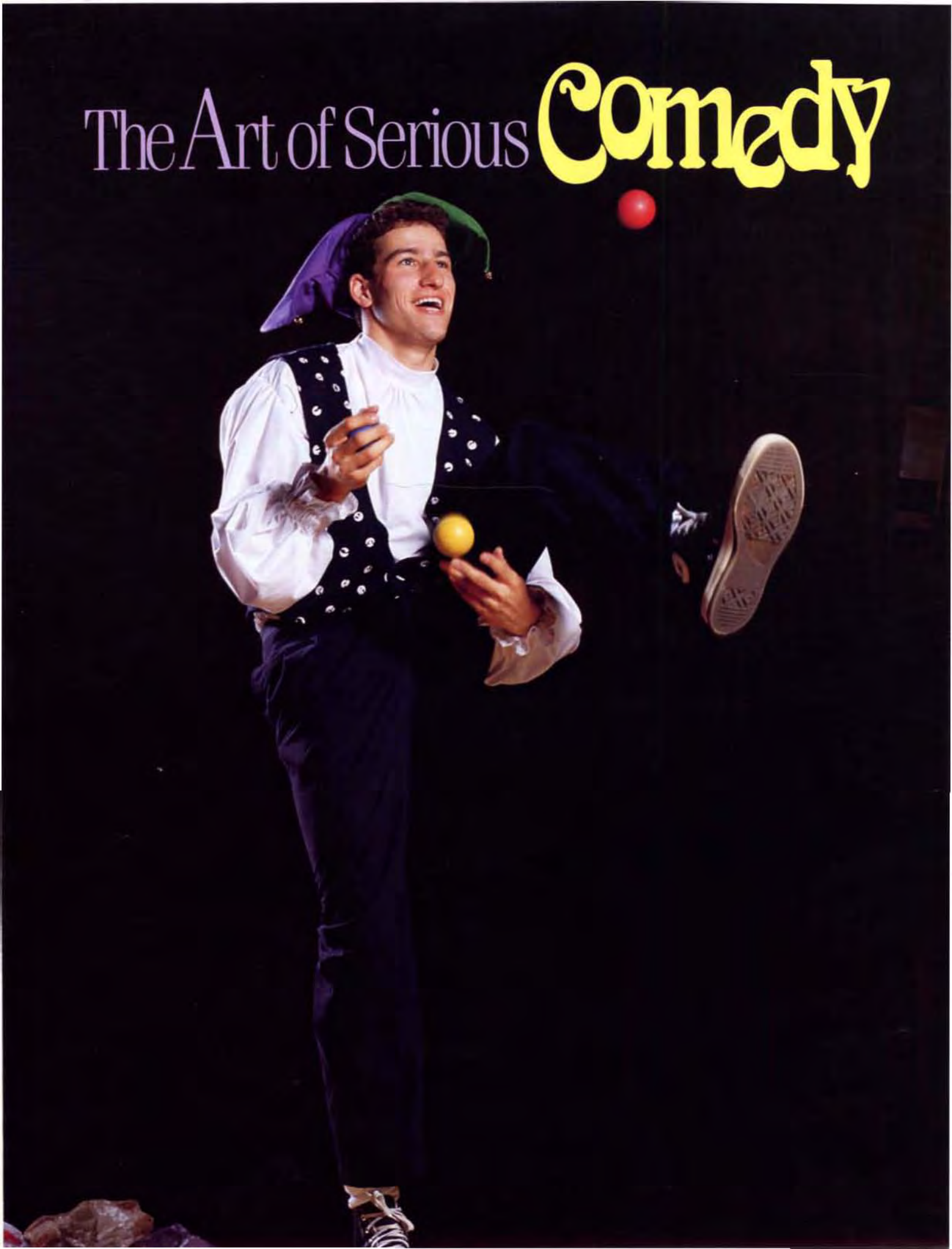
A large part of Dewey's ministry in the church and school has been encouraging young people to find God's call and strive for excellence in their lives.

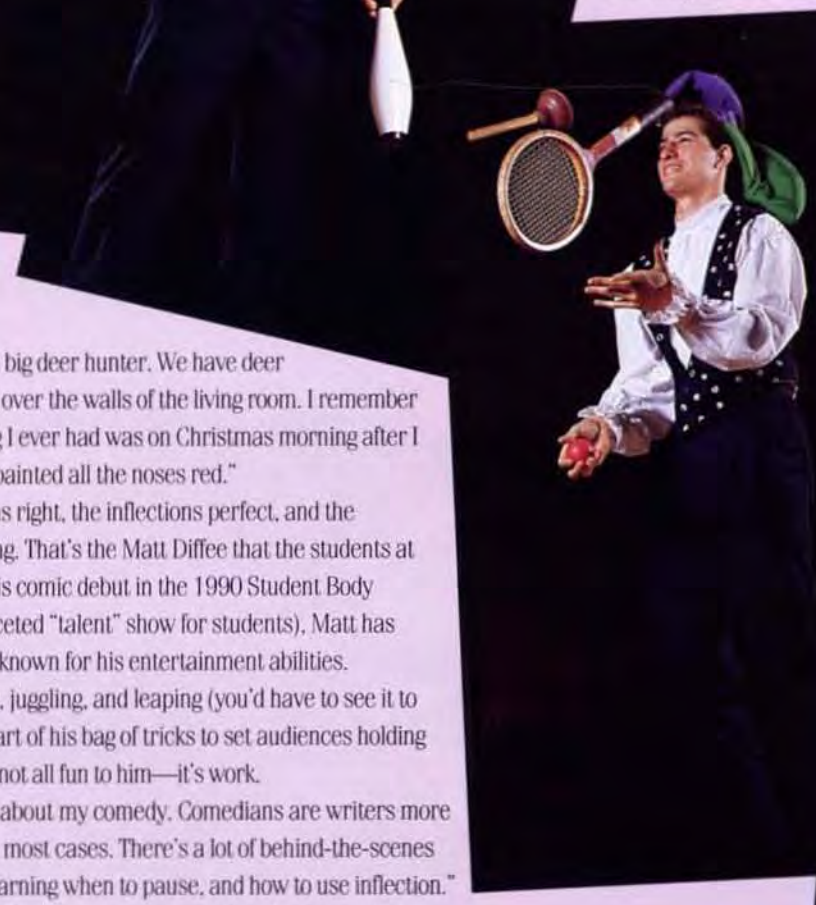
"I would advise students who are currently making decisions about which college to attend to carefully look for a university which offers a total package. Examine the institution's spiritual correctness. Discover its history and future outlook. Investigate its academic programs and see how they will meet your need in your chosen field. Examine the achievements of the faculty and graduates."



That's good advice. College is a pretty important piece in the puzzle of life. ■

The Art of Serious Comedy





"My dad is a big deer hunter. We have deer heads all over the walls of the living room. I remember the worst whipping I ever had was on Christmas morning after I went through and painted all the noses red."

The timing was right, the inflections perfect, and the audience was rolling. That's the Matt Diffee that the students at BJU know. Since his comic debut in the 1990 Student Body Review (a multi-faceted "talent" show for students), Matt has become quite well-known for his entertainment abilities.

Funny stories, juggling, and leaping (you'd have to see it to believe it) are all part of his bag of tricks to set audiences holding their sides. But it's not all fun to him—it's work.

"I am serious about my comedy. Comedians are writers more than performers in most cases. There's a lot of behind-the-scenes work like timing, learning when to pause, and how to use inflection."

Where do the ideas for comedy come from? "I keep a little note pad next to my bed, and most of the time it's when I'm just about asleep that I'll get a set-up for a joke or a possible subject."

The stage is where it all comes together. "Getting up on stage actually helps you get material, especially for improvised remarks. You have to be open to anything that hits you while you're up there.

"It can be pretty scary sometimes, a lot like sky diving—you may have everything ready when you jump out of the plane, but you never know if your chute will open until you pull the cord. You never know if your comedy will work until you actually do it on the stage."

But college isn't just one big laugh for Matt. He's in his senior year as an art major with an emphasis on painting and drawing. And he's learning a lot in his major even though he came to BJU with a well-developed ability in art—at least he thought so then.

"I came here thinking I was going to shock everybody with my art. Not so. I got here and had to start drawing boxes!

"My sophomore year I had my eyes opened to abstract art, and since then I've done as much of it as I have realistic art."

Matt's senior art show is scheduled to open February 23 in the University's Exhibition Corridor. Jack Burgess, also a senior art major, will be showing at the same time. "I think we'll work well together," Jack says. "I'm doing more realism that Matt is, mostly portraits and still lifes. We're both required

to have 24 paintings, so we'll have a full show."

So where does Matt plan to take his art and comedy after graduation in May? Japan.

Yes, Japan, as a missionary. "I want to use my artwork to support myself and to teach in a university, using my position as an art professor to get to know the students. I would like to start a student ministry because the younger generation is so much more open to the Gospel than the older generation. They're open to anything that's American, and that's a door for the Gospel."

Japan has been a part of Matt's life even longer than his comedy. "Our family had a group of Japanese young people stay with us for about a month while I was in the seventh grade. One of them had a statue attached to the back of his suitcase. I remember passing by his room and watching him bow down to it. It really scared me.

"After that, it seemed like every time I turned around, there would be something about Japan. I felt the Lord really wanted me there, so I surrendered to go."

Since then, Matt has cultivated his interest in the Japanese culture. He took up Japanese gardening and grows bonsai trees, studies oriental art, and takes lessons in Japanese when he is home.

"I feel that the Lord has given me the art and comedy talents specifically for my ministry in Japan," Matt says. "Many times Christians seem to be afraid to use comedy as a tool for evangelism simply because the world has used it in the wrong way. But it is a powerful tool in reaching young people."

Part of his preparation as a missionary has been his undergraduate work at BJU. In addition to his academic pursuits, he plays soccer and volleyball for his society, and he also competes in track and horseshoes. Matt served as president for his society both semesters of his junior year.

But he has learned to handle the college juggling act. "For me, college isn't that much harder than high school academically, just more of it. You go faster and have more to do. And I've learned a lot from my involvement in sports, society and art.

"I've learned to be creative—to look at things in different ways. I try to be unique and do things differently. It's fun and it's a challenge."

Seriously. ■

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ITINERARIES

DR. BOB JONES

April 10-11
Ohio Bible Conference
Greencastle Bible Church
Carroll, OH

April 12
Greencastle Bible Church
Carroll, OH

April 28-29
Fundamental Baptist Fellowship
Bible Baptist Church
Riverdale, GA

May 15-17
Calvary Bible Chapel
Flanders, NJ

DR. BOB JONES III

March 15 am
Northside Independent Methodist Church
Atlanta, GA

March 15 pm
Bible Baptist Church
Pittsburgh, PA

March 29 am
Upper Cross Roads Baptist Church
Baldwin, MD

March 29 pm
Temple Baptist Church
Glen Burnie, MD

April 3-4
Tennessee Association of Christian Schools
Pigeon Forge, TN

April 4-5 am
Calvary Baptist Church
Windsor Locks, CT

April 12 am
Thirty-Fifth Avenue Baptist Church
Phoenix, AZ

April 21
Friendship Banquet
Washington, DC

April 22-23
Maranatha Baptist Church
Lansing, MI

April 26
Faith Bible Church
Mount Joy, PA

April 28
Friendship Banquet
Detroit, MI

May 10 afternoon
Pioneer Christian Academy
Whites Creek, TN

May 14
Friendship Banquet
Rochester, NY

May 15
Friendship Banquet
Concord, NH

MRS. JONES III

May 9
Mother/Daughter Banquet
Oakwood Baptist Church
Anderson, SC

MALE VOCAL ENSEMBLE

ALABAMA

Decatur
Sunday pm, April 26
Faith Baptist Church
604 Beltline Road, S.W.

Green Pond
Friday, April 24
Green Pond Baptist Church
Eastern Valley Road

Huntsville
Sunday am, April 26
Logan Drive Baptist Church
7905 Logan Drive, S.W.

Mobile
Tuesday, March 31
Cloverleaf Baptist Church
5750 Three Notch Road

Mobile
Wednesday, April 1
First Independent Methodist Church
4548 Halls Mill Rd.

Sheffield
Tuesday, April 21
Hendricks Road Baptist Church
Route 15, Box 199

FLORIDA

Bradenton
Wednesday, March 18
Community Baptist Church
5500-18 Street, East

Dade City
Tuesday, March 24
Temple Baptist Church
485 West Clinton Avenue

Dundee
Saturday, March 21
Baptist Temple of Dundee
Corner of Center and Lake Streets

Floral City
Wednesday, March 25
New Testament Baptist Church
9850 South Parkside Avenue

Lakeland
Sunday am, March 22
Temple Baptist Church
4210 Lakeland Highlands Rd.

Lehigh Acres
Tuesday, March 17
Gunnery Road Baptist Church
422 Hamilton Avenue

Margate
Sunday am, March 15
Faith Baptist Church
6950 Royal Palm Boulevard

Miami
Sunday pm, March 15
First Baptist Church of Westwood Lake
4301 Southwest 107 Avenue

Pensacola
Sunday am, March 29
Faith Baptist Church
3600 Creighton Road

Pensacola
Sunday pm, March 29
Pensacola Baptist Temple
5000 Cerney Road

Tampa
Sunday pm, March 22
Hillsdale Baptist Church
5800 North Church Avenue

GEORGIA

Austell
Sunday pm, May 3
Tabernacle Baptist Church
3697 Humphries Hill Road, Southwest

Columbus
Wednesday, April 29
Grace Baptist Church
2915 14th Avenue

Douglasville
Sunday am, May 3
Community Grove Baptist Church
3464 Fairburn Road

KENTUCKY

Calvert City
Thursday, April 16
Little Cypress Baptist Church
Route 1, Box 313-A

MISSISSIPPI

Corinth
Thursday, April 9
Brigman Hill Church
Farmington Road

Greenville
Sunday pm, April 5
Greenville Bible Church
Gamari Road

Jackson
Friday, April 3
Trinity Bible Church
1401 Westhaven Boulevard

Pontotoc
Wednesday, April 8
Community Bible Church
224 South Main

TENNESSEE

Chattanooga
Tuesday, April 28
Calvary Independent Baptist Church
4601 North Terrace

Memphis
Sunday am, April 12
Winston Drive Baptist Church
1738 Winston Drive

Memphis
Sunday pm, April 12
Frayser Bible Church
3820 North Watkins Street

Nashville
Sunday pm, April 19
Community Baptist Church

Whites Creek
Saturday, April 18
Pioneer Independent Church
4479 Jackson Road

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

All over America beauty has turned to ashes, and songs of joy to mourning. Where has the happiness gone?

Recently a couple in their seventies told me with tears about the business failures and the marital misery of their two sons. Both sons live in the same town with the parents. The one son has filed for bankruptcy, and perhaps out of embarrassment, has not talked to his father in two years. The other son and his family attend the same church with the parents, but the daughter-in-law refuses to let her little daughter even speak to the grandparents at church. My heart broke as I heard the story, and I promised them my prayers.

That scenario has familiar counterparts all over the nation. I hear similar stories almost every day, and I ache inside continually. What has gone wrong? Why don't Christian marriages work any more? Should not a young couple marrying in the Lord expect bliss, fidelity, and security till death parts them? Should their parents not have the joy of beholding a home where their children and grandchildren are bathed in happiness and fruitful Christian living? Is this not what God intended? The Christian home should not end up being grist for the divorce mill.

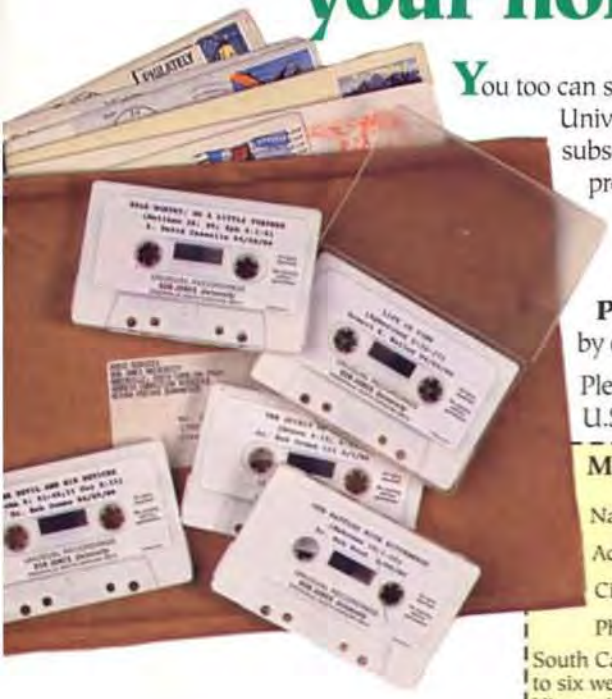
Selfishness, stress, and sin claw at the marriage bond to rip it apart. Lives that have potential for Christian ministry, for Christian lay service, are destroyed and rendered ineffective.

Let me plead with conscientious Christian parents to investigate the background of your child's serious romantic interest and to explore with that person his attitudes about all things which affect a marriage and home. Bob Jones University is probably the safest place in all the world for your child to find a compatible Christian mate. But our students come from a diversity of backgrounds, and it requires more than a common faith and education to make two people acceptable and compatible in marriage.

I doubt if there is any Christian college in the world that does more to admonish and advise young people in preparation for a successful, happy marriage. We tell them how to recognize those elements which should warn them against unwise relationships and marriage; but we urge parents to be very much involved in the selection process, and we warn young people not to proceed if godly Christian parents feel reserved or negative about the advisability of that relationship. We want to be partners with the parents, but we can't exercise the prerogatives which parents alone have in these matters.

We are working together with you for the lifelong happiness and spiritual productivity of your children. Our great joy is to think upon the thousands of happy Christian homes that began with a right dating relationship during the college years and which today have raised up a godly seed in the earth.

BJU chapel messages delivered to your home each month



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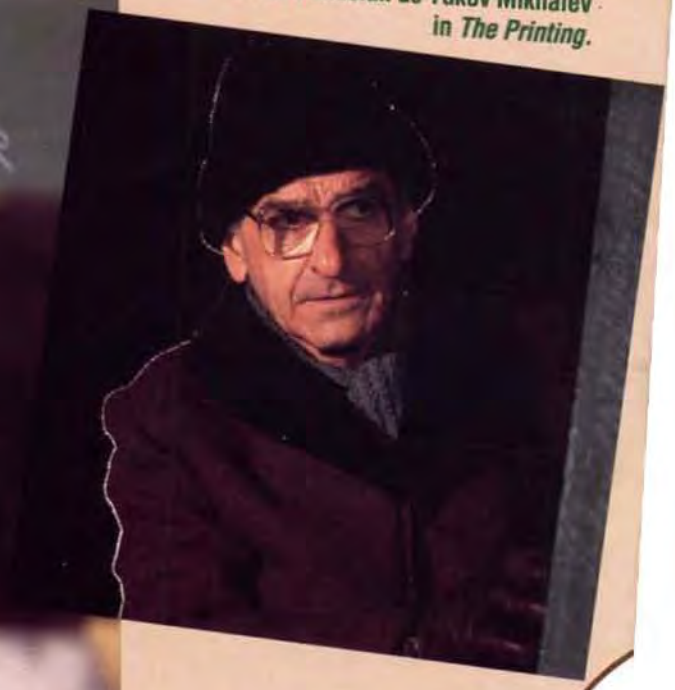
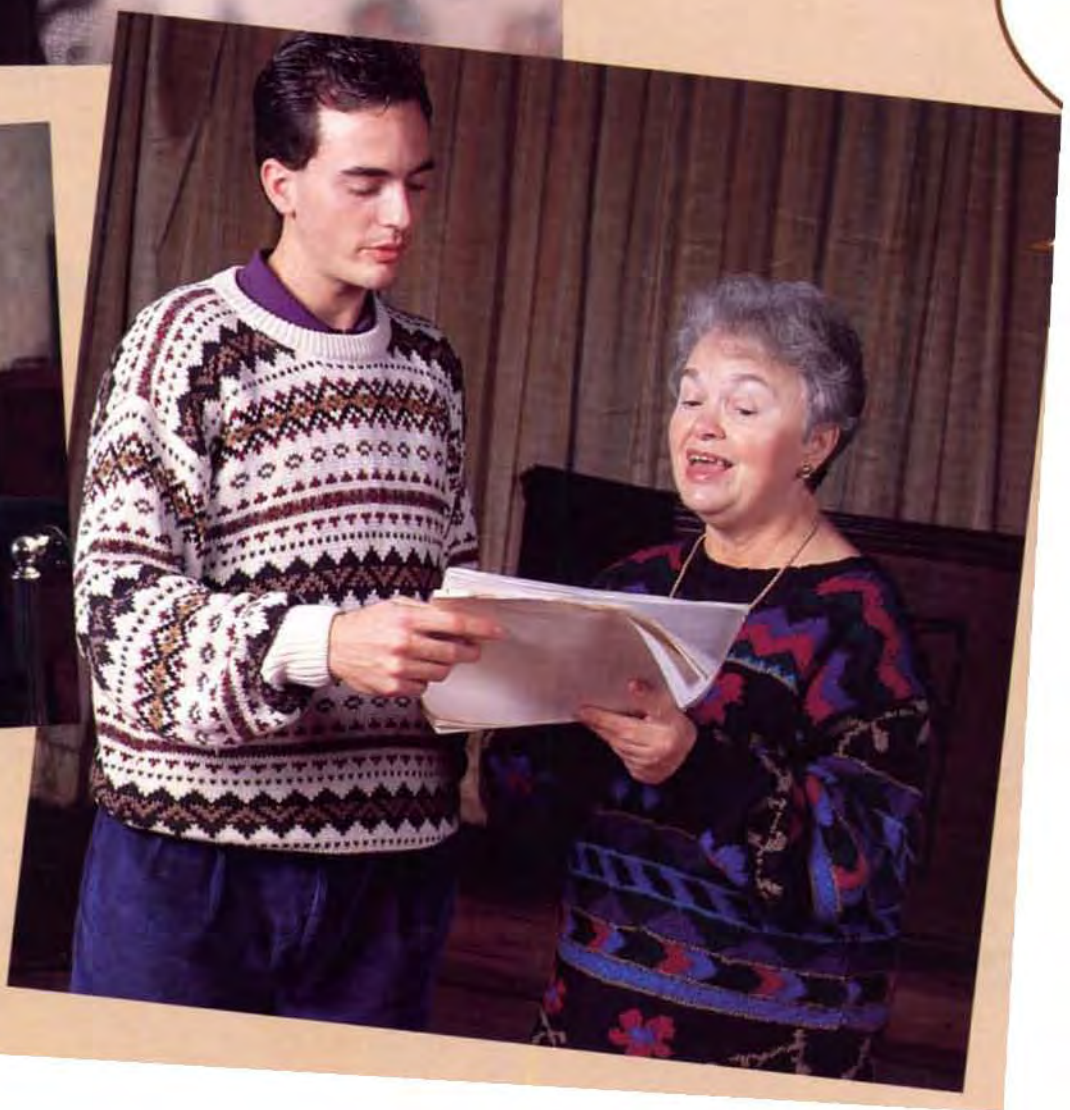


Dr. Ed Panosian as Yakov Mikhalev in *The Printing*.

Mrs. Betty Panosian as Lydia Yurchenko in *The Printing*.



Tell me a story

A tall, distinguished gentleman takes several long strides toward the podium and turns a pair of deep, wise eyes toward a large audience.

At the same moment, across the campus, a short, pleasant lady approaches a smaller group of listeners. She searches eyes with her gentle gaze, and pauses.

Each speaker begins. The former with a low, resonant voice; the latter with a sweet, comforting tone. His material is from the realm of history; hers, from the classics. The stories they tell and the styles they use contrast. But together, they make quite a duo.

Dr. Edward Panosian and his wife, Betty have become a legend on the campus of Bob Jones University during their 80 years of combined teaching experience. Almost every student attending BJU finds himself in Ed's History of Civilization lecture; and those in the speech department, listening to Betty—the "storytelling lady." Through selfless use of their talent, the Panosians have reached adults and children with delightful, historical, and Biblical speaking presentations.

Ed was born into a Christian family, his parents both Armenian immigrants. He was saved at age 15 while attending a Bible camp in the mountains of New York. In contrast to Ed's upbringing, Betty came from an unhappy, divorced home in Pennsylvania. At age 14, she met a Christian girl from Moody Bible Institute, and soon afterwards was saved at a youth meeting.

Through the encouragement of friends, both Ed and Betty came to BJU. Ed majored in Bible and history, and afterward combined the two interests in master's and doctorate degrees in church history. During those early training years, Ed learned some important lessons about serving the Lord. "I found that a Christian can serve in any place, even though he might not have a call to preach. I felt that I had definitely been called to serve the Lord in some way and remained at BJU for graduate school."

Betty majored in, has a master's degree in, and is still in love with the fine art of speech. "I think some of the first 'training' I received in speaking took place in my public high school. We had a time of Bible reading and prayer, and somehow I was always asked to read the Scripture. Even in grade school I loved 'teaching' the class when the teacher would ask for helpers."

It was in Educational Psychology class at BJU that Ed and Betty crossed paths for the first time. "I asked Betty to my society outing," Ed says, "and the rest is history—and speech!" The Panosians were married in 1954 and have three children: Mark, married and living in Greenville, Lisa, now living in Atlanta, and Matt, a senior at BJU.

Though both Ed and Betty are professionals in their fields, their desire to minister to others keeps their schedules full of "extracurricular activities." Ed has utilized his knowledge of church history in "first person" lectures to churches and schools on various Reformation figures. "I enjoy trying to communicate to people about those we call great; those who have human weaknesses as we do, but have allowed God to use them in service for Him," he says. "It's a real outlet for ministry."

Across America and even in Northern Ireland, Ed has, through impersonation, told the stories of men such as John Knox, John Bunyan, John Calvin, Luther, Spurgeon, and Tyndale. "I think it's an excellent way to combine drama with information. But it's more than just historical facts. The impersonations are tools toward the realization of a good, gracious, and powerful God."

Ed refers to Betty as his "biggest fan," and, at the same time, his "best critic." But Betty has a few stories of her own to tell. For almost 20 years she has recorded children's stories for radio and several classics for sale on cassette. Complementing Ed's impersonations of famous men, Betty tells missionary stories about well-known women, including Narcissa Whitman, Mary Slessor, and Rosalind Goforth.

Ed and Betty have performed in various Shakespearean roles with the University's Classic Players, from the beautiful Cordelia to the ugly monster, Caliban. "We've really enjoyed acting together, and watching one another," Betty says. "Our hobby just happens to be acting things out on the stage." And the screen, we might add. Between the two of them, they have acted in nearly every feature film the University has produced, including Ed's courageous roles in *Flame in the Wind* and *The Printing.*

Those who have seen Ed on the campus might recognize another pastime of his, for his method of transportation is often his legendary bicycle. Keeping up with the bike, involvement in their local church, and organization of summer Reformation study tours in Europe fill up the rest of the Panosians' free time. But when asked, they wouldn't have it any other way. "We really enjoy the privilege of having such a wonderful place to serve," says Betty. "We like the plays, concerts, and extra cultural opportunities here, as well as the chance to meet students from all over the world."

Ed's appreciation for BJU comes from the history teacher's viewpoint, yet accurately summarizes the feelings he and Betty show others through their lives. "Teaching here has become more parental in nature. To help young people see God's control in the world is a great privilege. It's like working with your own children—you want to do your best to direct their lives, to help them make good choices, and to help them want to be used of the Lord." ■

You're on the Air

"All we've heard seems to indicate that the station is going over really well. People are pleased with it. They think the new TV system is great!" That's the feedback on BJU's Radio and Television Department's newest venture—WBJU-TV.

The station cablecasts to several viewing rooms on the campus, showing half-hour news segments from 8 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. The news, some of it written and produced by students, is updated twice daily and airs national, local, and campus stories. Special events, such as the Middle East Peace Conference, have also been aired by the station.

Kellie Smith, a Radio and Television Broadcasting graduate student, is the news director for WBJU-TV. "I never really even considered graduate school until the department offered me this opportunity to work as the news director for WBJU-TV," she says. "In the future I hope to work as a foreign correspondent, and though I know this degree will be an added benefit when applying for a job, I'm really doing this for the experience. I have learned so much about making news decisions and really enjoy helping the reporters on their news stories."

In addition to the obvious advantage of added experience in television production, Kellie feels the station gives more motivation to those students headed for TV work in the future. "The students have a story on the air almost every week," she says. "It's motivating the students to produce better quality reports and programs since their work is being aired to the public instead of just being put on a class test video to be sent home to mom and dad."

For 25 years the department has operated a student-run radio station. This year the station expanded its format from 32 hours to nearly 100 hours a week of news, campus information and entertainment. Students serve as announcers, reporters, programmers, and producers. Even freshman have a chance to be "on the air" their first year reporting on sports or news, and upperclassmen also work in specialized areas such as sales, engineering, and production.

The WBJU Radio facilities have been recently remodeled by the RTV faculty and contain new, state-of-the-art equipment. The students gain experience operating turntables, reel-to-reel tape recorders, cassette and cartridge recorders, and CD players.

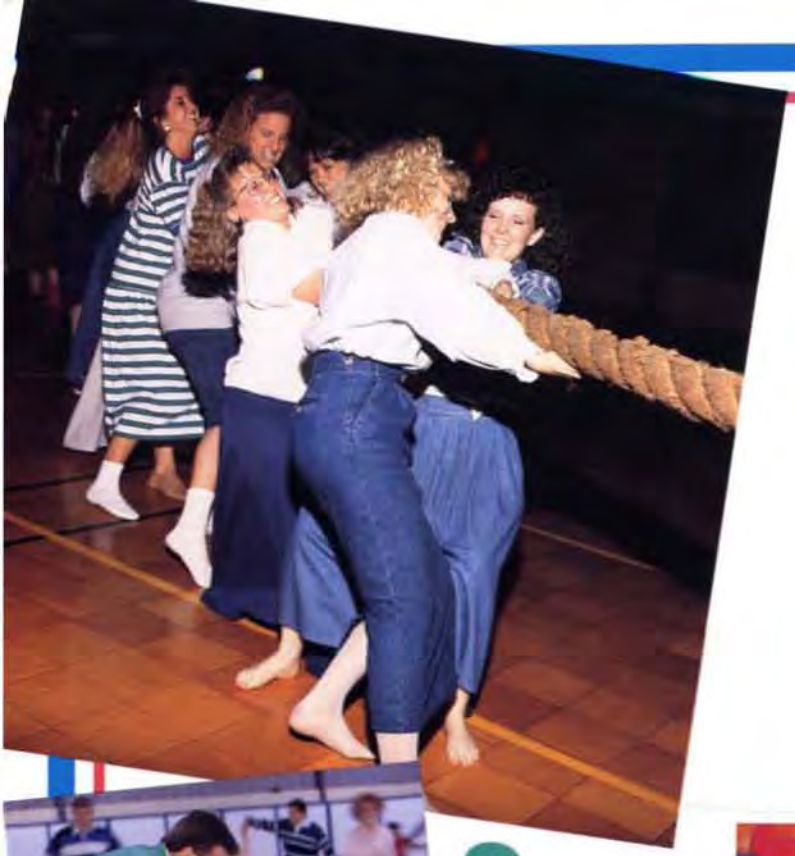
"It's the 'learn and do approach,'" says Mr. Dave Lurtey, another member of the Radio and Television faculty. "After one year, an RTV major will have the basic knowledge needed to work at a TV or radio station. We emphasize involvement from day one. That's probably one of the strongest points of our program—it's involvement-oriented, hands-on work, not just theory."

Students begin with Fundamentals of Broadcasting, a basic, yet comprehensive course covering on-mike and on-camera performance, operation of the equipment, and program production. One semester of the course deals with radio work and the second with television. Other courses include Basic Announcing, Advanced Announcing, Directing, Broadcast News, and Broadcast Sales. Upperclassmen who maintain a good grade point average may also apply for internships with local radio and TV stations.

"We're primarily interested in training our students to go into Christian broadcasting in America and on the mission field," says Mr. Elmer Rumminger, head of the RTV department. "And in order for students to perform well, we try to confront them with every challenge they're going to run into in either radio or television stations in those fields. In addition there is a desperate need for honest, straightforward and relatively unbiased journalists in 'secular' stations and networks, and numbers of our graduates have entered this field."

"Doing an internship gives us a real feel for the responsibilities and opportunities in the field of broadcasting," says senior Brian Mullen, program director for WBJU Radio this year. "You run into all the pressures of the real thing: deadlines, competition, and the need to maintain a good testimony while working with unsaved professionals."

Is the program successful? Feedback from graduates says so. "Several stations hold out open arms to interns from the RTV department because of their top-notch qualifications, and a number have hired broadcasting graduates," says Mr. Rumminger. "A typical comment from a news director: 'Any time you have a graduate from BJU who wants a job, call me. I appreciate their spirit, their dedication, their willingness to work, and their level of expertise.'" ■



All work and no play makes students very dull people. That's the principle behind BJU's Office of Student Activities, the school's official "fun factory."

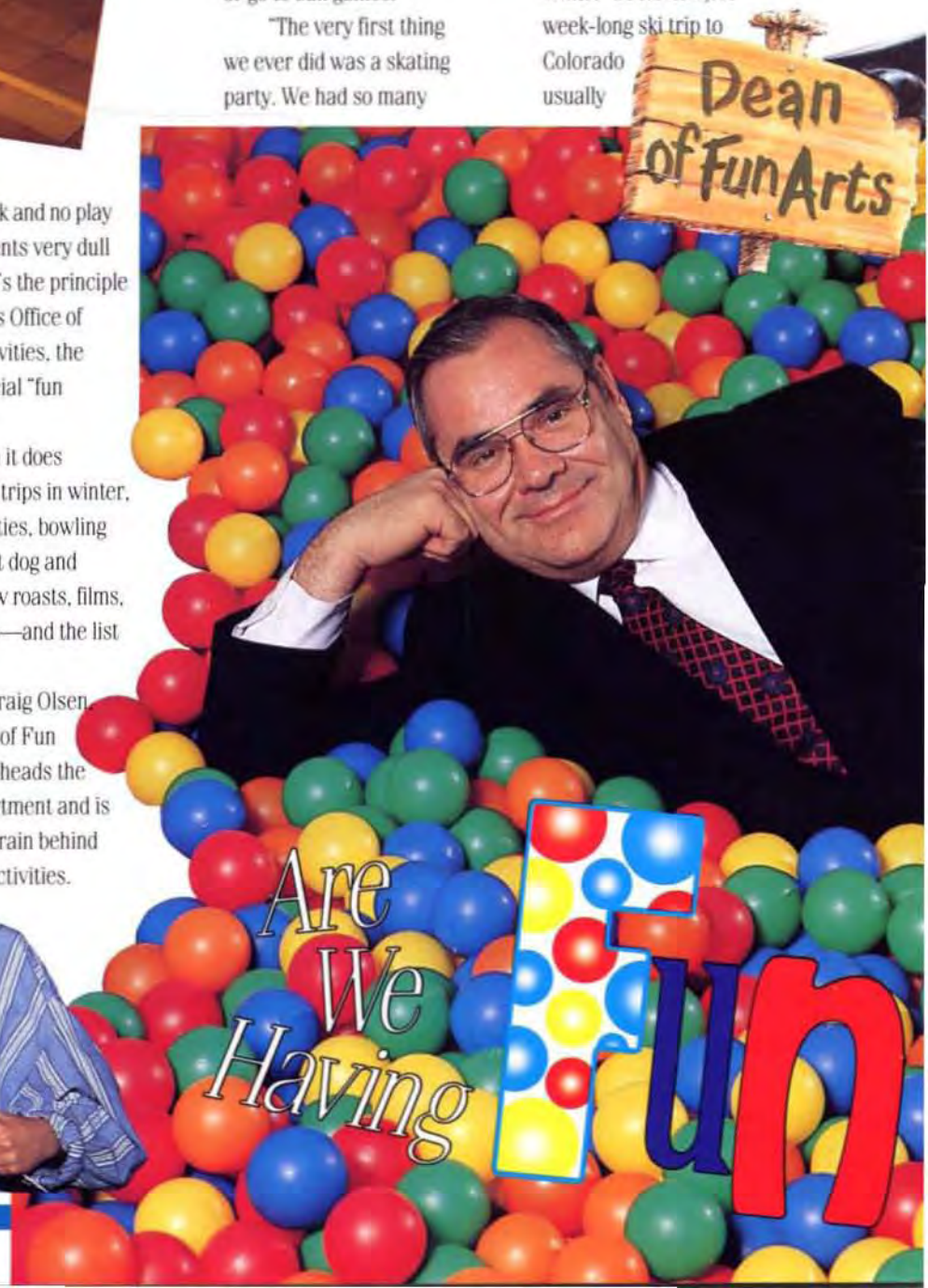
And fun it does provide. Ski trips in winter, skating parties, bowling outings, hot dog and marshmallow roasts, films, pizza bashes—and the list goes on.

"Dr." Craig Olsen, the "Dean of Fun Arts," heads the department and is the brain behind the activities.

"I view this office primarily as a help to students. We usually have something for somebody every month." Many of the activities are geared toward dating couples. "When Dr. Bob approached me about starting this department," says Mr. Olsen, "he felt there was a need for activities where dating couples could do more that sit in the dating parlor or go to ball games.

"The very first thing we ever did was a skating party. We had so many couples go we had to take them in two shifts to the rink." Bowling parties and recreation nights on the athletic field are some of the other activities for couples each semester.

But you don't have to be dating to benefit from the Office of Student Activities. Each year, it offers everyone a one-day ski trip to Beech Mountain in North Carolina (see the Winter '91 *Review*). A week-long ski trip to Colorado usually



rolls around during Christmas vacation. And they're deals almost too good to be true.

"One thing I try to keep in mind when I'm planning these trips is to keep the cost down as much as possible," Mr. Olsen says. "Most kids are surprised that we're able to do it as cheaply as we do."

The Office also works closely with the Student Body officers at the University. "When we first come in to our office, Mr. Olsen explains its responsibilities and how he can help us," says Jerry Eisinger, this year's Student Body president. "We go to him with our ideas, and he lets us know what will work."

The Office also provides equipment and manpower to carry out many of the Student Body functions. "Mr. Olsen helps us set up nets and things like that on the recreation nights, and we use the Office's sound system for

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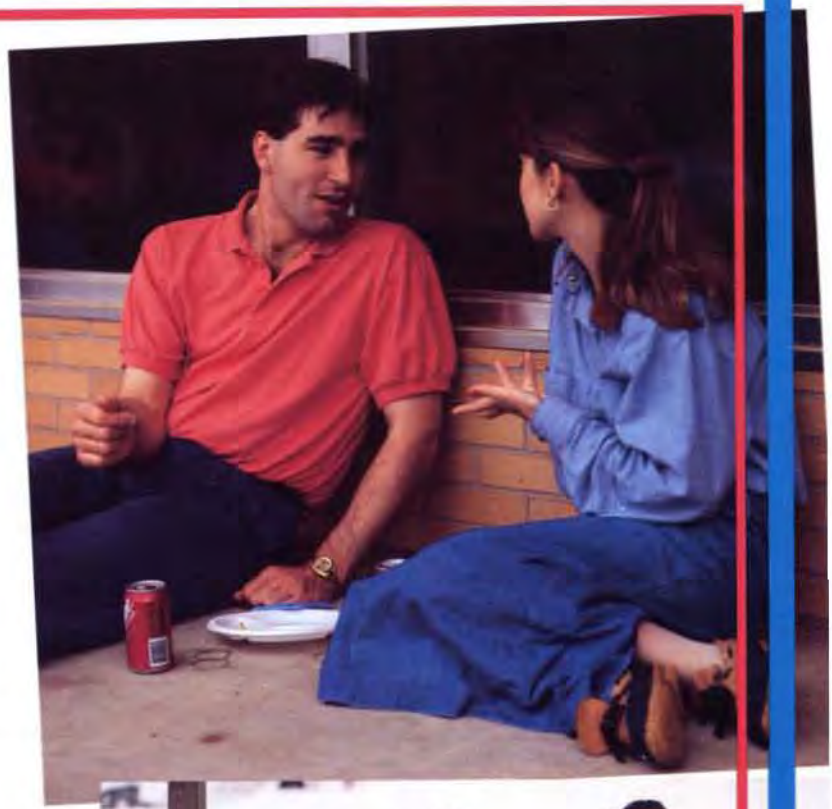

the singspirations we have in the student center," Jerry says.

"We try to serve and help the students perform their functions through their organizations—it's a hand-in-glove situation," says Mr. Olsen. "In turn, anytime we need help, the Student Body officers are our 'volunteers.'"

One of the biggest projects the Office of Student Activities and Student Body work on is Gold Rush Daze, held once every four years (see Summer '89 *Review*). All classes are canceled for a big day of fun and games. Students are divided into two teams, and some very unusual competition provides about as much laughter as anything.

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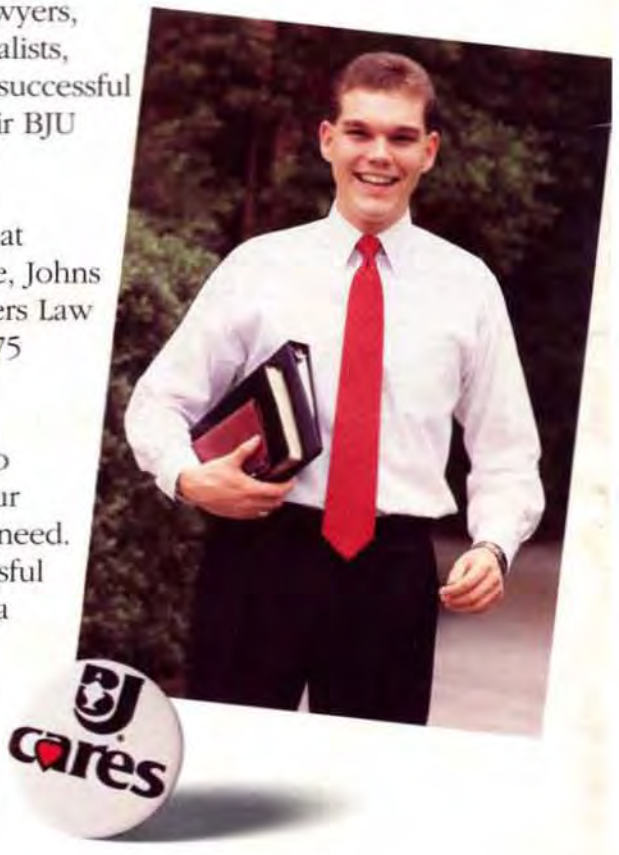

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